

Grim Combat Lessons Related By Sgt. McCoy

"Of course you're scared in combat, but what you're most scared of is letting your buddies down, because you don't want to be responsible for any delays or mistakes that will bring casualties to your outfit."

That's the way Sgt. Walter B. McCoy, who spent 14 months in combat in the Pacific, explains a man's feeling under fire to his new buddies in the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School.

For example, take our first raid at Fort Moresby," says McCoy, who earned his three battle stars with the anti-aircraft artillery. "A Jap formation came over the Owen Stanley Mountains flying through low-cast clouds and a bad mist. Neighboring batteries started firing but one unit in our outfit wasn't set up yet. The fellows were rarin' to go, and the one man responsible for the delay felt like a heel. The whole battery was at him. The delay cost us a lot of lives."

LESSON WELL TAUGHT

"But it taught us all a lesson. We didn't envy his position, and he himself saw to it that it never happened again. The next night, when another Jap formation came over, he was really ready on time—and that night we got our first plane in combat. The men went wild with success, and from then on nobody ever had to order them to be on the alert. I think that's how you'd define morale in combat—as responsibility to your buddies."

"Jumping the gun" on the Japs turned out to be not only good for morale but also a money-saver. McCoy's battery, which went through 91 heavy raids without losing a man.

"We found that if we fired first the Japs couldn't aim well and probably would not drop their bomb loads on that run. This constant preparation was what defeated the big Jap formation that attacked Moresby on April 12, 1943.

SHOT DOWN 8 JAPS

"More than a hundred planes came over and we just kept straight at 'em—we broke up their formation and knocked down eight of 'em. The Air Corps—which really has the job of shooting down planes (AA is just supposed to make the target area too hot for them)—brought down 28 more, raising the total to 37."

"You also take great pride in your equipment in combat," McCoy tells his company mates who are heading for overseas. "You

Ex-Benning Red Cross Worker Now In New Guinea

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA

A former Ft. Benning Red Cross worker, Bernice Phelps, is now supervisor of American Red Cross hospital service at the base to which the wounded from Hollandia, Wadke, Blak, Noemfoor and other Dutch New Guinea landings have been taken for treatment.

Miss Phelps, who lived in Atlanta prior to entering Red Cross service, has charge of activities for her organization at the most important military and naval base in New Guinea. Under her direction are 40 Red Cross workers attached to various hospitals whose capacities number in the thousands.

The social worker was employed by the WPA in Georgia from 1936 to 1941, working in Gainesville, Macon and Columbus. Previously she had been with the FERA in Macon, Augusta and Atlanta.

Joining Red Cross in 1941, she served in hospitals in Italy, Benning, and Camp Croft, S. C., before going overseas. She has been abroad since June, 1942.

She and her helpers devote most of their time to helping patients with their personal and family problems and in assisting medical officers in obtaining home conditions reports. They handle almost 800 major cases a month, in addition to rendering about 30,000 smaller services such as writing letters, dispensing comfort articles, sending money orders, shopping and locating belongings for servicemen.



PATIENTS AT STATION Hospital, Fort Benning, crowded around Osie Hawkins, Metropolitan Opera star, after he had given a concert for the men in the Red Cross recreation room at the hospital. This is just part of the crowd of hundreds who heard the program. (Official U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

Kelly Forgets To Bring Personal Copy Of His Book

After autographing hundreds of copies of his book, "One Man's War," for customers in a Pittsburgh department store, Tech Sgt. Charles "Commando" Kelly returned to duty in the Academic Regiment, The Infantry School, this week and realized that he had forgotten to bring back a copy for himself!

It seems that the slight, shy winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor and the Silver Star, who spent a week on temporary duty in Atlanta and his hometown, was so rushed by buyers of his book that he never got a chance to look beyond the title page. He says maybe he'll be able to look it over in the Garrison Library this week.

Many books were autographed to men overseas and mailed by their relatives as soon as the post was dry; some copies were inserted in packages for American prisoners of war. The first two impressions had been inscribed to Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, with whom "Commando" once lunched in Pittsburgh, and to the columnist, Walter Winchell, whom Kelly now refers to as "Wally."

U. S. Enemies No Soft Touch

"Take it from me, the enemy is no soft touch. It takes plenty of heat, in rain, material, and sheer fortitude."

Staff Sergeant Kelly C. Bath, now a cadet at The Paratrooper School, is in a position to know the enemy. As a paratrooper, he saw action in North Africa, Sicily and Italy in several major campaigns, was wounded three times, and was presented with the Silver Star and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster.

Sergeant Bath, whose home is in Claxton, Georgia, enlisted in the Army on July 8, 1941. At Camp Wheeler, where he took his basic training, he volunteered for the Paratroopers, winning his wings at The Paratrooper School at Fort Benning, Georgia, on February 6, 1942. His final preparation for combat took place in England, where for five hard months he was trained in commando tactics.

The invasion of North Africa was his official initiation to battle. To hear him tell about it, it was rather disappointing. He was sent as a paratrooper in an airborne division, landing 30 miles inland behind Oran; his mission—to seize two strategic airports.

ALL SET BUT NO FOE

"You must remember, we were keyed rather high after a year and a half of stiff training. The anticipation of finally applying our well-mastered lessons on the enemy, and in actual combat, had pitched us on an even higher note. We came to North Africa tingling for action. You can imagine our let-down when we saw almost nothing of the enemy, and when, stealing upon the two airports we were ordered to capture, we found that they were already in American hands."

"But, if it was action we wanted, we were to get it in healthy measure—more than we bargained for as a matter of fact. Sergeant Bath was thinking specifically of Italy, during those first bitter weeks of savage fighting. Once again he was sent behind enemy lines with a company of paratroopers, entrusted with a major assignment—to capture the town of Avellino, to hold it until American land forces could take over, and meantime, to keep enemy reinforcements from reaching Salerno. For nine days of furious fighting, Sergeant Bath and his comrades worked behind enemy lines. The fire was deadly. Time and again a band of valiant paratroopers thought they had been trapped by the strong forces surrounding them. "We had to keep going, often without sleep, fighting every inch of the way. Sometimes the enemy was so close to us that we almost felt we could stick out our hands and touch them. A funny thing happened—they often do on the



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Two years of success as post exchange manager led to appointment of Ernest Mahone, of Union Springs, Ala., as area supervisor of all post exchanges catering primarily to colored troops. Mr. Mahone succeeded Capt. Frank D. Chester, who was identified with Fort Benning Exchange for eight years. Corporal Chester had to give up the position when he was transferred recently to an eastern command.

As area supervisor, Mr. Mahone has charge of 15 post exchanges, located on the Main Post and in the Harmony Church Area. When the Fort Benning Exchange, under direction of Lt. Col. William A. Munroe, exchange officer, took over all revenue producing agencies at Fort Benning, Mr. Mahone's work was extended to include the cafeterias and guest houses of Service Clubs 4 and 5.

He has responsibility of selection and supervision of members of the personnel of all units under his direction, makes recommendations for stock and merchandise for the post exchanges; for facilities and supplies for the two guest houses, and cafeteria. His recommendations, however, must be approved by Lieutenant Colonel Munroe.

There is a total of 110 persons composing the personnel under supervision of Mahone. His immediate assistant is Frank W. Williams, cashier. Mr. Williams, who hails from Nashville, Tenn., was manager of Post Exchange Branch 48 before accepting his present assignment. He has been with the Fort Benning Exchange three years.

Area Supervisor Mahone is a former high school principal in Bullock county, Ala., having served in the teaching profession 20 years. He was educated at Alabama A. & M. Institute, Normal, Ala. Previous connection with the Fort Benning Exchange was as manager of Post Exchange branch 40, Harmony Church; and Branch No. 4, Main Post.

Sanderson Now Permanent Col.

Elevation to the permanent rank of Colonel came today for Col. Melville A. Sanderson, post dental surgeon who has held the temporary rank previously.

A native of Waltham, Mass., Col. Sanderson has had 23 years of service in the Army. He is a graduate of Tufts College Dental School. After serving in the last war, he saw duty at the United States Military Academy from 1922 to 1925 and then at Fort Mills, Corregidor, for two years.

Returning to the States, he served at various posts, saw another tour of duty in the Philippines, and in 1941 came to Fort Benning. He has served as post dental surgeon since February, 1942. He attended Army Dental School basic course in 1922 and advanced courses in 1928. He is a member of the American Dental Association and of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

A son, Melville, Jr., now is an Infantry Captain serving in India after serving at Fort Benning for some time where he took basic and advanced courses at the Infantry School. He also took the Chinese Language course at Yale University before going overseas, meeting.

Quittner Addresses Lee Co. Chapter Of Red Cross

Francis Quittner, senior assistant field director of the American Red Cross with the 71st division, spoke at the annual meeting of the Lee County Chapter of the American Red Cross held at the Clement-Hotel on the night of September 21.

Mr. Quittner joined the 71st Division at Fort Benning after serving at Fort Benning for some time where he took basic and advanced courses at the Infantry School. He also took the Chinese Language course at Yale University before going overseas, meeting.

WAR II NURSE NAMED COMMANDER OF POST

HAGERMAN, Idaho (ALNS)—The first woman veteran of World War II to be selected for such a position is Mrs. Helen Abbott Stahlman, who was elected commander of The American Legion post here. She joined the Army Nurse Corps in November, 1942, as Miss Helen Abbott. In June, 1943, she married 1st Lt. Emory T. Stahlman, who is now in the European theatre of operations. She was discharged in August, 1943, and immediately joined the local Legion post. Her activity and interest earned her election to the top office in the post, which she will serve for the 1944-45 year.



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Woman's Club Outlines Plans For New Year

Plans are in full swing for the twenty-second year of the Infantry School's Woman's Club at Ft. Benning. Chairman and co-chairmen of the various committees were entertained this week at the home of the president, Mrs. Walter B. Fariss and each committee reported its proposed activities for the year, and places and dates of special meetings.

The program chairman, Mrs. O. S. Rolfe, forecast the 1944-1945 season, and chairman of the special groups reported that arrangements have been made to meet the interests of every woman. The full program will be announced at the opening meeting, a tea, to be held at the Officers' Club, October 2, 2:30 p. m. EWT.

WALKER TO SPEAK
Major General Fred L. Walker, Commandant of The Infantry School, will address the club at its opening meeting, giving the Commandant's traditional welcome to the women of the Post, and a talk on his experiences overseas as Commanding General of the 36th Infantry Division.

The program chairman will then present Private Vladimir Sokoloff, a pianist of international reputation, now stationed at Fort Benning.

The club president will preside during a brief business session at the close of this initial program. The program will be followed by a tea planned by the social committee.

MEMBERS INVITED
The honorary president of the club, Mrs. Fred L. Walker, and the active president, Mrs. Walter B. Fariss extend a very cordial welcome and invitation to all past members and to newcomers eligible to membership, to attend this opening meeting and become acquainted with the activities of the club.

The president will be supported by Mrs. Victor Ector, vice president; Mrs. Davis Hughes, second vice president; Mrs. Dickey, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Melville Sanderson, recording secretary; Mrs. Ray O. Phillips, treasurer; and Mrs. Wilson M. Spang, auditor.

Mrs. Fariss wishes to acknowledge the able work done by the following committees in preparation for this meeting: The program committee, headed by Mrs. O. S. Rolfe with Mrs. Francis J. Heraty, co-chairman and Mrs. Clark Fenters, Mrs. Mary Collins, Mrs. Oscar R. Johnston, Mrs. Oliver M. Barton, and Mrs. Spencer Edwards; the social committee, with chairman Mrs. Jack Meyer and co-chairman, Mrs. Maxmillian Clay, and the following members, Mrs. Samuel G. Kiehm, Mrs. Robert C. Spence, Mrs. William Cook, Mrs. Spencer Edwards, Mrs. C. A. Beall, Mrs. Robert L. Deck, and Mrs. Joseph Q. Bitt.

MEMBERSHIP
Mrs. Fay Ross, chairman of the membership committee, announces that its members will be on hand to receive dues and issue membership cards. Her co-chairman is Mrs. Robert Jones and

Posthumous DSC For TIS Alumnus

First Lt. Howard W. O'Donnell, a former resident of Bellefonte, Pa., who was commissioned at Ft. Benning, August 28, 1942, has been posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in connection with military operations against an armed enemy, the War Department has announced.

Lieutenant O'Donnell was in the vicinity of Gervaro, Italy, on January 10, 1944, and while withdrawing to the battalion assembly area, his company was suddenly ambushed by the enemy on the slope of a hill. The enemy fired at his unit from three sides, using rifles, machineguns and mortars. He immediately directed his men to continue the withdrawal, staying behind to help and urge them along. The company took cover in a small defile midway up the hill, but, realizing that they could not remain there long, he moved all his men from the draw and himself carried a wounded officer safely through enemy fire.

Organizing the company for defense, he led them in repelling a German attack. After organizing litter squads, he moved up and down the exposed slope four times to supervise the removal of wounded and the recovery of equipment. He was reported killed in action January 26, 1944.

OFFICERS PROMOTED
Five student officers of the 2nd Company of the First Student Training Regiment were recently promoted in rank. They were promoted by Capt. William B. Grier, Company Commanding Officer.

Officers were promoted from captain to major. They were Kermit Roser, Joel K. Sameth and Glen C. Trasher. Two of Mrs. Edw. Clark, Mrs. Edwin Stothard, and Mrs. C. M. Chamberlin; the third Monday to the home-making and the fourth Monday to the current events directed by Mrs. Victor Lee, Mrs. Robert Sharp, Mrs. Clifford Overlett and Mrs. Mark Brislau.

BOWLING RESERVED
Members interested in bowling will find the hospitality committee, with Mrs. Ridgely Gaither, chairman, and Mrs. Charles Stevens, Mrs. Allen D. Albert, and Mrs. James F. Strain, Mrs. William Denton, Mrs. John E. Albert, Mrs. Ridgely Gaither, Mrs. Fredrick Heifer, Mrs. Joseph C. Adair, Mrs. Henry L. Galloway, Mrs. James Tarbox, and the house committee headed by Mrs. Harold J. Adams and Mrs. Samuel L. Parker, and Mrs. Vivian Peckman, Mrs. Lovick Pearce, and Mrs. Everett Rice.

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By Phyllis

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Many a new family moving all in from the mighty Fort Benning has found shopping at SEARS, ROEBUCK AND COMPANY the ideal place to purchase some home furnishings without spending a wee fortune. Sears has an assortment of gay-colored washable rag rugs in colonial designs firmly braided in a choice of oval sizes. If you already have a rug, Sears suggests you add cushions which will add years of life to your present rug. If rugs of any sort are not for you, how about some excellent quality linoleum in a variety of marbled patterns. For your tiny tot, if you have one, an unpainted baby crib with wood sides already for you to paint your favorite color, is indeed an excellent value. Sears has blankets, bath mat sets, china, kitchen utensils, and just about everything you'd need to set up housekeeping in a cozy, comfortable, but not expensive fashion. Visit this store and prove my contentions.

The budget-wise way to dress smartly and as you like is to "make your own." Clothing, I mean. Get your needles, hunt up your pins and scissors; get your fall and winter fabrics at Kirven's and start sewing many a fine seam. The fabric department of the J. A. KIRVEN CO. is just brimming over with yard goods for our fast-approaching fall weather. There are soft woolsens to help you make your self a wardrobe to be remembered and envied. You'll find many aids to correct and exact in the notions section of this popular department store. Skirts, tape measures, thimbles, shirt makers, tailor slippers, shoulder pads, skirt belting, buttons, pin cushions, tailor's chalk and countless other suggestions to make easy work easier are offered by budget-wise Kirven's.



TONIGHT AT 7 O'CLOCK the 4170th Quartermaster Depot Company premieres at the Post Grade School "Is This the Army?" their contribution in the Combat Unit Soldier Show Contest sponsored by the Special Service Office, Fourth Headquarters, Special Troops, Second Army. Twenty-two combat unit shows are in competition tonight at four different locations: Post Grade School; 64th Infantry Woods; Service Club No. 5; and an undesignated bivouac area. The winning company of each competition will compete October 5 in the Second Army finals for cash prizes. Above are shown, left to right: T-5 Joseph Fisch, Pfc. James P. Cleary, Cpl. Anthony S. Taor ina and T-5 Harold Johnson. (168th Signal Photo Co.)

22 Shows To Have Premiere Here Tonight

Not since the days of Barnum & Bailey with Joe Miller's joke book thrown in for good measure, has Fort Benning hosted 22 shows having their premiere on the post all in the same night.

And that's what's on the amusement docket tonight at 7 p. m. on four different stages, in as many separate areas, as more than 200 musicians, thespians, clowns, and writers present their wares in the Combat Unit Soldier Show Contest which is being sponsored by the Special Service Office, Headquarters, Special Troops, Second Army.

An audience in the thousands is expected to be divided among four locations: Post Grade School auditorium, where the 168th Photo Co., 60th SRI, 553 Depot, 4170 Depot and 89th Operational Battalion put their wits and ingenuity against one another in order to tuck the winning flag under the arm and be eligible to compete in the Second Army finals Thursday October 5, just one week from today, in the same auditorium.

BROADWAY SHOW
The 64th Infantry Woods is taking on the appearance of a Broadway production as loud speakers make their appearance in the pines as so many new songs on stage center a natural amphitheater, a piano is made available by Service Club number one, while four companies nurse their hands and aspirin their Barrymores. For when the cast from the 920th, 220th, 443rd and 693rd Ordnance companies take over the footlights, Hollywood, Chicago and a dash of New York will lean back on their heels and oggle the new "Birth of the Nation."

Service Club Number 5 is holding open house to the five companies trooping the boards of its stage. The 3497, 3498, 3535, 3533, and 3534 QM Truck companies promise keen competition and a variety bill, drama, and farce that will keep the Harmony Church area rolling in laughter.

One section of this unique contest will actually be staging their production under field conditions, for seven companies are now on bivouac and their stage will be of their own construction, and their auditorium will be under a blanket of stars. These units are the 3515, 3516, 3517, 3520, 3719, 3720, and 3735 QM Truck companies.

GUIDING ANGELS
To take care of the many arrangements necessary for an underwriting of this size, special service officers and committees of the 215th Ordnance Battalion are handling the 64th Infantry Woods playlets. Fourth Headquarters is supervising the Post Grade School competition; the 188th Quartermaster Battalion is holding sway over the Service Club 5 shows, and

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Boys' Activities Needs Leaders

There is an urgent need for volunteer leaders to help in boys' activities on the Post, and there are a number of Boy Scouts who are without Scoutmasters. In addition, the boys have two football teams for which men with the necessary experience can be used as coaches.

Volunteers are asked to contact either Lt. Col. A. H. Vasey, chief of the Services Branch, Post Headquarters, telephone 3411; or Maj. F. L. Sparks, The Infantry School, telephone 2418.

An enthusiastic worker in the boys' activities is Major Sparks. "During the last two years, this has developed into an unique organization at the Post. Sponsored by the Post Commander, the boys have afforded the opportunity to partake in many and varied activities, including sports of every kind—tennis, baseball, swimming, football, golf, hiking, and the like. The sons come from fathers of all ranks, and a General's boy may play shoulder to shoulder with the son of a private. Thus, the boys develop an esprit de corps, a clean-spirited and eager to cooperate. And we don't have juvenile gangs here; teams give all a chance to indulge in strenuous pastimes—body-building and football."

The youthful groups—about 100 boys in all, ages from six and up—have Lt. Col. Joseph McShane as their scoutmaster, but several assistants are wanted. Chaplain Peter Spehr, leader of the Cubs, can also utilize some able and willing assistants.

A football coach has come forth from the Third Infantry, stalwart Lieutenant Shoemaker; however, he, too, desires two or three other gridders to aid in the work of training the adolescent eleven.

Teams consisting of the smaller boys, the Peeps—9 to 12—will again stage exhibition games this fall between the halves of the regular fifts in the stadium. The future grid greets have complete uniforms and full equipment—and plenty of pep.

The Post bowling alleys will be made available for the boys, and this step will provide another sport for their enjoyment.

"When a new boy comes to Fort

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An attractive collection of photographs of scenes and installations about Fort Benning has been reproduced in book form and will go on sale at all post exchanges next week. The photographs are the work of S-Sgt. Jack Lieberman of the Academic Regiment.

Sergeant Lieberman, on duty in the photographic section of the Reproduction Plant, spent nearly two years on off duty hours to make and process the collection. Some of the photographs have been reproduced before but the entire collection has not.

The cover of the book, which is a modernistic plastic, contains two of the outstanding "shots"

taken by Sergeant Lieberman. One is an angle photograph of The Infantry School headquarters. An enlargement of this photo was framed and presented to Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton upon his retirement last year. The back cover is a reproduction of an unusual shot of the Parachute School Training towers. The collection consists of 56 photographs.

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—The Atlanta Constitution.

Critical Housing Problem Is Growing Worse

Within the past fortnight the housing problem in Columbus and the adjoining suburbs in Muscogee County has reached a stage that gives adequate cause for the deepest concern on the part of Fort Benning officials, Columbus citizens and last, but certainly not least—the thousands of kin of military personnel who are without comfortable shelter, some without shelter at all.

Through the Post Billeting Officer, appeal was made through the columns of the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer and over the radio for the citizens of the local city and suburbs to re-examine their housing facilities and once again come to the rescue.

The Billeting Officer reported that soon after the appeal had been made public, patriotic and kindly citizens began to telephone that they had arranged more space in their homes or by some device had found some accommodation for distraught families of Fort Benning personnel.

However, the response—heartening as it was—has not met the demand by any means. In addition the ebb and flow of occupants of Baker Village, Peabody Court Apartments and other government sponsored housing projects is not rapid enough to appreciably alleviate the situation.

Since the war effort was kindled, cities and communities adjoining large military enterprises have been enmeshed in the throes of "booms." Columbus, because of the permanent status of Fort Benning, will be feeling the "boom" of war long after it has declined in other cities. And, we believe, Columbus will continue trying her utmost to keep abreast of the problem.

We put forward these suggestions: to military personnel whose families are not here, it is strongly urged that they do not bring them here until absolutely certain of accommodations for them; to military personnel whose families are here, and whose status is uncertain—that is those who may be shipped or transferred soon—send them home as soon as it will work no hardship upon them; to those who know of personnel who may be shipped here, send them ample warning of the scarcity of quarters.

"The Army provides shelter for all of its men of course. The Army makes it possible for personnel permanently stationed at a post—or stationed there for a reasonably lengthy period—to live 'off the post' and thus to effect a normal family life. However, in cases where hardship will be worked on children and other members of families of military personnel, it is believed the Army would rather no reunions be attempted.

However, as Capt. John W. Myers, the Billeting Officer said in the appeal to Columbus citizens, many of those here are not here for any other reason than that they have not seen their loved ones for many a long day. Surely, that factor alone is well-nigh irresistible when one considers the possibility of frowning on the practice of military personnel seeking to house their families near their post of duty.

We fervently hope that the citizenry of Columbus and environs will continue to help solve the problem and that the military personnel affected will cooperate with them.

Military Police Mark Their Third Birthday

Tuesday was the 28th day of September as we all well know but what most of us do not remember is that it was also the third birthday of the Corps of Military Police, vintage of World War II.

THE BAYONET belatedly takes this opportunity to extend to the CMP its heartiest congratulations on a job well done and its good wishes for continued top efficiency for the duration plus.

Today the MPs are stationed in every theater of operations in the world. While much of their action is necessarily behind the scenes, yet their efforts have aided our armies to maintain their victorious pace.

Their work has been honored twice this week on the air waves, and tonight at 1900 EWT Fred Waring and his Pennsylvaniaans will pay homage to them on an NBC network program.

To these salutes, we add our own.

31s' Patriotic Duty To Use Voting Right

Memo to all soldiers everywhere: make certain that you exercise your right to VOTE in the impending elections!

The War of the Revolution was fought to win America's Independence—and freedom; to win the war is being waged to preserve our freedom for all time.

One of the things for which hundreds of thousands of khaki-clad stalwarts are giving their lives is that all-important right to vote, while the soldiers of the Axis are denied such a privilege.

It is the patriotic duty of each and every serviceman to cast his vote!

Those who do not care enough to avail themselves of this opportunity are not acting the part of good citizens. . . . And when you return after achieving victory, you will want to be represented in the affairs of government.

However, now is the moment to see that the ball is started rolling in that direction.

So, remember to do your duty: VOTE!

—M. T. G.

Grid Season Is With Us Once Again

The advent of autumn spells a word that weaves magic with myriads of American youths, as well as with sports fans everywhere—the word: "FOOTBALL!"

The start of another season fills us with nostalgia, for we think of the thousands of former pigskin toters, now playing the greatest game of all.

The Duke of Wellington said, "The battle of Waterloo was won on the playing fields of Eton." . . . And we can truly state that many of our own glorious victories were won on the gridirons of America!

Yes, the training of teamwork, cooperation, and the will to win, imbued by the countless lads who have competed in the ancient game, gives them impetus and incentive, as they run forward in alien territory—not carrying footballs, but grenades and weapons of all kinds.

And they are fighting furiously, so that they may return soon to the way of life they always knew; the way that included freedom to participate in such invigorating pastimes as football.

So when we go to the stadium, let us not only cheer the players present, but those who are "carrying the ball" for us in every remote corner of the globe—making it possible for us to live in a land where we may enjoy the sport in safety.

—M. T. G.

Aquapoppin's Cast Gets Salute, Trip

Here's a salute to every member of the cast of that great G. I. Splash Spectacle, "Aquapoppin' of 1944!"

This water show, as everyone at Fort Benning knows, was staged here for two nights, attracting capacity throngs of 11,000 spectators, thus necessitating a repeat performance on a third evening.

So vast was the acclaim accorded this revue that its fame spread, and a true tribute to its success arrived in the form of an invitation from the National War Fund Committee in Atlanta, requesting that the show be presented in that city to aid in raising money for the fund.

And this coming Saturday night will find "Aquapoppin'" receiving the accolades of many more thousands—for a most worthwhile cause.

One can not name the star of this show, for each individual connected with it, from the brilliant divers to the boys and girls in the water ballet, labored hard and long to produce one of the finest productions ever witnessed at the Post.

Innumerable hours were devoted by the cast, song writers, script scribblers, scene designers, costumers, and all, to mould the revue into a smooth-running, sparkling extravaganza. The greater part of the work, too, was done on the participants' own time.

So, again we say, "Here's a salute to 'Aquapoppin'!" . . . The splash heard 'round the world."

—M. T. G.

Southern Women Don't Think The War's Over

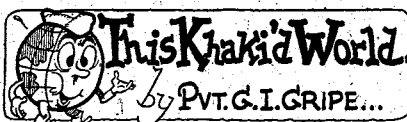
Southern women do not think the war is over, if one can judge by increased enlistments in the Women's Army Corps, according to headquarters of the Fourth Service Command in Atlanta. With an amazing gain of 1125 per cent during August, 1944, as compared with August, 1943, WAC recruiting officials of the Fourth Service Command are anticipating a lively re-enlisting program this fall.

Statistics show the Jacksonville District leading with an increase over last summer, chalking up a rise of 1581 per cent last month as compared with a year ago. This includes the cities of Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, Tallahassee, Atlanta, and Savannah. The Charlotte District increased 753 per cent, and the Montgomery District 1100 per cent. Greatest percentage of gain was made in Miami.

Results for the entire country show that WAC enlistments during July and August of 1944 were 281.2 per cent of the total for these same two months of 1943, with a comparative gain in the Fourth Service Command of 574 per cent.

Contributing to this new interest is the need for WAC medical technicians. The thousands of wounded men pouring back into army hospitals are opening the field to both skilled and unskilled women interested in every phase of hospital work. These are the women who are fighting "The Battle of America"—the biggest battle of the entire war—the battle here at home, to restore our wounded fighting men to life and health again. 21,000 Medical technicians are needed for this urgent work, and many have already answered the War Department's call in the past few months.

Some women who were experienced in hospital work have been assigned to army hospitals. Others are attending army medical training schools. The largest number of medical Wacs from the South are attending either medical technician school or medical laboratory technician school. Others are training at schools for surgical, dental, and X-ray technicians. Others are serving as medical stenographers, occupational therapists, and educational reconditioning personnel.



When Norma Fleming, supervisor of the attended telephone stations at Ft. Benning, was to be interviewed on Tuesday p. m. radio show by Corp. Louise Williams, she was hurrying to the post to be on time for the show. An M. P. stopped her, told her she was going too fast. She explained the situation and the M. P. said "Well, anyway, that's the first original excuse I've ever heard—I'll be listening in and if you aren't on that program—I'll have to give you a ticket." Well, that's one way to get audience, eh Willie?

Cpl. Hatch, writing in 371st Med. Batt. paper "Swabs N' Splints" states that he knows an over-wrought supply sergeant, who, heckled and heckled for a report on some minor bit of equipment, made out his report as follows: "This G—D—establishment wishes to inform whoever's G—D—concern it is, that the G—D—Pfc. has turned his D—helmet liner into G—D—salvage."

Pfc. Glenn E. Hobbs, HQ company, 2d Battalion, won the contest as "Typical Raider" during the Fourth Regiment's Organization Day celebration. But he was reported to be hurting slightly, as story is that he had a furlough coming up and had to put it off for three or four days in order to be present during the contest.

And they have a fast worker in the Fourth, too. Marvin "Frog" Lorentz got a three-day pass, went to Pensacola, met a gal, got married had brief honeymoon. And yet some gnuys say a three-day pass is a three-day pass.

Headlines say that Americans are nearing the Rhine—this is one case where the "bacon" is on the other side of the Rhine; you might say. Or then again, you might not.

Well, thanks—at least—a reader, Thanks, Taps for all those nice things in that character sketch in your "Benning's Banter" column (sorry we had to pause and look up the name . . .) Of course, reading down the column, you might have been polite and said something about "handsome" old fellow. And again, reading farther along—hey, listen here you! Whatcha' say? Is the idea of stealing one of my stories! Such a crull! What a nerve!

Civilians at work around the post wearing work clothes that have khaki'd blue added to the confusion of a major the other day. He inquired irately for "whoever is in charge here," and wanted to know "why doesn't somebody say for this work party?" Finally one rather scrawny workman replied, "We're all civilians." Major took it very good-naturedly, our informant states.

Lt. Edgar T. Nagle, Jr., and Lt. James J. O'Connell, out in First Student Training Regiment, were plodding in from a problem in a rain-storm the other day, getting feet heavier and heavier with Georgia clay. Finally Lieutenant Nagle remarked, "This is hell, isn't it?" But Lieutenant O'Connell said, "Worse—even hell is paved with good intentions."

Also out with new weekly paper is Second Student Training Regiment. It's entitled "Flinch."

Many of us soon learn by experience that our little, spasmodic efforts are failures; they break to pieces, shatter themselves on the rocks of human weakness and human limitation.

Many of our earthly plans and purposes accomplish nothing. Yet, in spite of such untoward failures, we may have the satisfying consciousness that our characters and our lives are improving every day, if we are wise enough to draw power from them above.

With all the upheavals in the world, and all the uncertainty and insecurity of what this world offers, we are slowly learning that God alone is sure; that He is unchangeable, and that He is good, and that we are safe, only when we tie to Him.

We wouldn't lose the simple truths learned at our mother's knees if we dropped more often to our own.

If honesty is the best policy, why not make it our national policy?

Two people working together produce more than both working separately.

BY TAP

Echoes of "Aquapoppin'"—or Tales out of Pool: On the night of the "repeat performance" of the big show, after the grand finale came cries of "Author! Producer!" from the audience. . . . A pause, then Sgt. Barry Sturmer stepped forth reluctantly into the spotlight. But he scarcely had time to take a bow when members of the cast seized the thespian and tossed him—fully clad—into the pool, amidst the waves—of applause!

The backstage help was so busy watching the acts that Sgt. Carl New (pronounced "New") had to pull the ropes on the floating island, and sundry properties. (Ed. Note: Carl was always adept at "pulling strings.")

A woman spectator asked her friend, "What do the letters, FBAA, mean on the ushers' sleeves?" Piped up a GI in back of her. "It stands for Free Beer After it All!" . . . And the gal and her companion waited for the free beer long after the lights were dimmed.

A nice party was given for the cast recently, and, as some well-wagued: "More than just 'aquas' was poppin'!" . . . Yes, there were soft drinks for all.

REVEILLE REVEALATIONS: Several of the boys, eagerly enroute for reveille one morning, were halted by a carload, were hailed by the O. C. for the purpose of finding out who—and who didn't—have passengers. . . . The all-but unpassenger was rendered by a lone sergeant, without riders. Said he to the MP, "But I have a passenger with me." . . . "Oh!" snorted the stalwart, "where is he?"

"Right here next to me!"

"Yeah?"

"Yeah! He's my cousin from Hollywood—the double for the Invisible Man!"

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G.I. WIFE

MILADY'S CHAPEAU FOR 1944-5 TO HELP (?) HER MORALE AND G. I.'S TOO

By EILEEN

With the turn of the tide on the various battle fronts of the world, the fashion picture at home is changing. Last year at this time styles were simple and conservative—but this year, as the fall styles are making their appearance on the markets, we find that women are daily becoming more frantically feminine in their dress.

I've particularly noticed during the past few weeks what has been happening to the millinery on display in the various stores. Last year women were wearing small hats—barely types, almost mannish in their tailoring and lack of decoration. But this year, it's an entirely different story that is going to feminine heads!

One hat I saw decorating the shining tresses of a millinery mannequin particularly enticed me. No doubt the show "Oklahoma" had something to do with the creation of it. Sophisticatedly black, it was a carwheel style—with a shallow crown, a broad brim, turned down to the depth of an inch all the way around and decorated, simply and modestly with a band of heavy silk fringe—a hat that was more than vaguely reminiscent of the "Old Fashioned Curly" with the Fringe on the Top.

But they'll be wearing small hats, too—hats with coq feathers in every color of the rainbow—with a few extra shades thrown in for costume balance. One show window contained a group of small hats made entirely of those coq feathers—purple—turquoise—said rose—to be worn as they were with snails or elaborately

Whether the change in hats and shoes is for the benefit of the women or for the morale of the boys returning from overseas is a moot question—frankly, it looks to me as though it were a mixture of both: Women naturally like to wear the colorful, changeable fashions—and the boys, returning from the battle-fronts, have seen all they want to see of drabness. And so the styles are changing—to the colorful, the feminine, with none of the darning that followed the style changes of World War I, but as a deliberately planned campaign to heighten the homefront picture.



A Man went to the bar and ordered a Martini; drank it, chewed off the bowl of the glass, swallowed it, and threw the stem of the glass over his shoulder. He continued this five times and then noticed the bartender staring at him.

"I guess you think I'm crazy, don't you?"

"I sure do," replied the bartender, "the stems are the best part."

Sign in mess hall: If the steak is too tough for you, get out. This is no place for weaklings.

A British officer was arguing with an American officer as to which army had the better discipline.

"As the American was talking one of his men came in. "Cap," said the private, "can I have your jeep tonight? I've got to take out my girl!"

"Sure," replied the officer. Then turning to the Briton, he said:

"There's proof of our discipline. He needn't have asked me."

"Why he's a perfect gentleman to work for—all you have to do is slap him once in a while."

Two sardines were swimming off San Diego when one suggested they go up to San Francisco for the weekend.

"To do?" said the other.

"We'd get too tired."

"We could ride the train up."

"What! And be packed in like a couple of soldiers?"

Then there was the officer on watch aboard ship who got angry at something rushed to the speaking tube and yelled to one of the men below:

"Is there a bilthering idiot at the end of this tube?"

"Not at this end, sir," came the serene reply.

Did you hear that the bad little Egyptian girls became Mummies?

Officer: "Why didn't you salute me?"

Private: "I didn't see you, sir."

Officer: "Good, I was afraid you were mad at me."

Ruth rode in my little jeep. Directly back of me I hit a bump at sixty-five And rode on RUTHLESSLY!

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3rd Infantry Opens Grid Card Sunday Against Maxwell Field In Montgomery

Cockades Face Powerful Foe In Marauder Eleven

Former Pros, All-Americans Form
Starting Line-Up For Opponents

By PFC JOHN T. CRONIN
One of the Southeast's better service football games of the year is scheduled for Montgomery, Ala., Sunday, when the Third Infantry Cockades, of The Infantry School, meet the powerful Maxwell Field Marauders. The game will be played in Crampton Bowl, scene of the annual Blue-Gray game. The kick-off is set for 2:30 p. m. (CWT).

The game will be the first for both teams, and inasmuch as neither team has played this season, selecting a favorite is simply out of the question.

However, on paper, the Marauders loom plenty strong. The 35-man squad is composed of several former All-America choices, plus a sprinkling of players who performed in the National Professional League.

HEAVY LINES
The Fliers have a starting line which averages 203 pounds and a backfield averaging 189 pounds. The Cockades will field a line averaging 201 and a backfield averaging 193.

Outstanding linemen on the Fliers include George Oxley, a guard, who formerly played with the Detroit Lions; Walter Pierce, ex-Cleveland Browns tackle; Lewis Lundy, New York Giant tackle; Duck Conger, former Georgia and Billy Hughes, former Texas tackle; Dud Lamb, one-line Oklahoma end, and Lex Darnett, formerly of St. Mary's of California.

Headlining the backs are John Chickernoe, one-time member of the famous Pittsburgh dream backfield; John Clements, former Southern Methodist passing and kicking ace; John Brinje, ex-Notre Dame; and Roy Turner, an All-Southern back from Mississippi State.

TWO SYSTEMS
Coach Charles Ziegas of the Cockades is planning to use both the Notre Dame and T-formations against the Fliers. He has the backs capable of playing both systems.

Billy Hillenbrand, a great half-back; Lou Saban, an astute signal-caller and blocker; Bill Reinhard, a triple-threat man; John Borkin, a fancy passer and runner, and Bob Epps, a speedy back, are being counted upon to give the Fliers plenty of trouble before the afternoon ends.

JACOBY OUT
"Chuck" Jacoby, a fleet half-back and expert pass catcher, will be unable to play because of injuries received last week in scrimmage.

The Cockades will field a strong line, one that will provide the Fliers with plenty of trouble. At least they have demonstrated in scrimmages that they can hold their own.

Starting Line-Ups:
Maxwell Field
1st Line: Joe Taylor, Jack Conger
2nd Line: Bill Lundy, Dick Crawford
3rd Line: Bill Doss, Bill Hughes
4th Line: Jack Wiggins, Bill Gaskin
5th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry
6th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry
7th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry
8th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry
9th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry
10th Line: Bill Wilkins, Bill Harry

Football Fans Still Amazed At T-Formation

By PFC JOHN T. CRONIN
The 1944 football season is now underway and the T formation now amazes the fans as once did the Notre Dame shift. In other words, the football fan today finds himself in about the same position as the motorist when Henry Ford discarded his Model T and came out with a Model A.

But where the late Knute Rockne and his pupils concentrated on a shift to the left or right from the standard three in a row alignment of backs, the T formation has so many variations that its most enthusiastic teachers are at odds over how the formation should be used.

The T formation will be introduced to Fort Benning fans by the Third Infantry coaches of The Infantry School, who, by the way, will also use the Notre Dame shift. The Fourth Infantry, of the Infantry School, operates from the Notre Dame system.

Q-BACK HANDLES BALL
The T formation means one or more backs in motion before the center snaps the ball to the quarterback. Invariably, except for punts, the signal caller receives the ball. So, along with directing the play, he handles the ball for deception and forward passes but never is a blocker or ball carrier.

Some coaches vary in their use of the T. Few coaches use the formation without a man in motion and use a direct pass from center to a half back for forward passing.

MOVING BACK CONFUSES
One big reason for the man in motion in the T system of attack is to spread the opposing team's defense. No matter who is assigned to cover the man in motion, the defense has to prevent this man from getting a wide lateral pass or get down the field unopposed and grab a free pass. The spread in defense, if attacked properly, is a favorite target for quick opening plays.

The quick opening play "Rock" developed at Notre Dame was feared by opponents even more than the Irish's power play aimed outside the defensive tackle. It was used without the shift, with the quarterback taking the ball under center and passing it to either half back to carry.

There's no need for Diogenes at Drew Field. Corporal Paul F. Mueller caught a lift to the field one day and his swimming trunks in the car. He marked it up to profit and loss. Three weeks later Mueller caught a ride in the same car—and there were his trunks right on the back seat where he had left them.



CHATHAM FIELD'S LINE, who will meet 4th Infantry tonight at Doughboy Stadium. (Left to right): Sgt. Jimmy Moran, end; St. Sgt. Billy Probst, tackle; Pfc. Heinze Eisele, guard; Lt. Bill Donaldson, center; Lt. William Foster, guard; Sgt. Frank Pascarella, tackle, and Pfc. Ed Bondelevitch, end. (Official Chatham Field AAF Photo.)

3d Infantry's John Weber Proves Real Superman As He Wins '44 Tennis Crown



TENNIS WEBER
... Post Singles Champ

The Superman of the tennis courts—That is what they're calling Sgt. John P. Weber, Co. B, Third Infantry, who won the Post Singles Tennis Championships, held last Saturday and Sunday in defeating Col. Joseph A. Bialek, of the 271st Engineers, Sergeant Weber turned a neat trick in the hotly-contested finals. His real feat, however, remained in the fact that he wielded his racket throughout four matches Sunday morning, then continued the strenuous sport for three sets in the afternoon. And this was plenty of tennis for anyone!

The title in the Doubles Championships was captured by the hard-driving duo of Cpl. Joe Bialek and Cpl. Herbert O. Hoover, of the 29th Co., Third STR, who turned back the snappy service of Sgt. George Nanna, Third Infantry, Co. B, and Cpl. Lester F. Colby, of the Fifth Infantry, Co. L. Scores for the finals were 7-5 and 6-3.

The match that provided the most action and thrills for the large throng of spectators was the semi-final match in the doubles, in which Sgt. H. J. Belgrade and Pvt. John Gibbons lost in a photo-finish to the ultimate champs, Belgrade and Gibbons lost the first set, 6-3; then took the next one 6-2, and were finally shaded to the tune of 9-7.



"TARZAN" HERE—The playing coach of the Chatham Army Air Base football squad which meets the Fourth Infantry Raiders at Doughboy Stadium tonight is "Tarzan" White, All-America guard at Alabama a few years back and later a star with the professional New York Giants and Chicago Cardinals. White, who used to play in the line, is now a fullback. (Official U. S. Army Photo—Chatham Field AAF.)

'Bayonet's' Goodenough Is Winter Sports Expert

A wistful Homer is Cpl. M. Tappan Goodenough of the Fort Benning Public Relations Office who tells a vivid story of the doughboys and paratroopers with his clever cartoonist's touch and busy typewriter.

"Taps," as he signs his "stuff," is the pre-war author of "Tap's Turf Tips" and other sporting features in the Boston American and known to thousands of readers in the Hug City and throughout New England. He also wrote the Sports Parade, syndicated in a group of 40 Eastern newspapers.

Besides horses, "Taps" had two other passions in peaceful times.

They were skiing in the Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont Mountains, and boxing. He used to spar a lot with Henry Lamar, Harvard's new football coach and former light heavyweight champion.

Learning to ski while in knee breeches, "Tap" had gained professional proficiency in later years. He followed the sport also with his typewriter and drawing pencil, and the ski world knows his writings well. In Boston and environs, however, journalistic news to as to winter sports and as to the doings of fishermen and hunters.

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3498th Truck Wins Combat Relay Event

Last Friday afternoon at Tiger Field in the Sand Hill area, five companies of the 188th Quartermaster Battalion participated in the first Combat Field Relay of its kind ever held at Fort Benning, 4th Headquarters, Special Troops of the Second Army has announced.

Before a battery of motion picture and still cameramen from the 188th Signal Photographic Company, 13 major field events kept the thousand grandstand spectators on their feet throughout the afternoon as they saw the 3498th QM Truck Company win first ribbons with an aggregate of 38 points.

SPECIAL GUESTS
As special guests for the event, the roving reporter caught the attendance of 4th Headquarters commanding officer, Colonel Ernest E. Tabacco, and Mrs. Tabacco. Also in the stands were Major James F. Lind, commanding officer of the 188th and Lieutenant Robert C. Long, special services officer for the battalion, who were responsible for the coordination of the event.

The primary function of the Combat Field Relay is to provide an athletic program that will keep large bodies of troops engaged in competitive sports over a considerable period of time. This type of sports card is practical for either combat, in garrison, or while at the port as the men are waiting for shipment.

PLACE	COMPANY	POINTS
1st	3498 QM Truck Co.	38
2nd	3487 QM Truck Co.	33
3rd	3533 QM Truck Co.	24
4th	3535 QM Truck Co.	17
5th	3534 QM Truck Co.	16

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Well, folks, here I am, hurting to beat all hell today. A few weeks ago—or was it a couple of years—so many things have happened since—wait, let me collect my thoughts. Oh yes, a few weeks ago, as I started to say, somehow they roped me in on the production end of "Aquapoppin," something a sports writer should never get involved in for blood money.

It was a huge success, however, despite me, but the rub came when they asked us to put the thing on in Atlanta this week. Well, naturally, we had to run up there and measure the lake and show the carpenters how to do their work, and all that sort of thing.

But what happens while I'm away from my desk. Why, Bette Davis comes to Fort Benning to get herself married to some corporal, or at least that's what the Columbus papers said.

When I think of the way I got all excited about Jane—that was that gal's last name anyway? Well, anyway, when I think of how we all got so excited about a girl who hasn't yet reached stardom in Hollywood—why, it fairly sickens me to think of the fuss I could have worked myself into over a real celebrity like Miss Davis, especially if I could have gotten an interview.

Besides, the idea of her marrying a corporal. Why, I might have talked her out of it! I'm free, and 27 or is it eight. As I say, I've aged so much in the last few days, I really don't remember.

So there I am, measuring the depths of Piedmont Park lake when I should have been measuring the depths of Miss Davis' beautiful eyes. That unspeakable Barry Sturmer. I really blame him for it.

I well remember the last time I left the boundaries of our kingdom by the Chattahoochee. That Sturmer booked in Gypsy Rose Lee. I never did get to see her. When I came back I had contracted scarlet fever. You ought to see my face now, I'm so mad. It's really scarlet.

Yes, here I was, way up there in Atlanta and those other boudoirs in the Public Relations Office had to have all the fun and glory out of Bette.

Anyway it all goes to show what I go through for my new art. We're going to put on "Aquapoppin" up in Atlanta this Saturday night for the National War Fund campaign up there. Of course, it all happened so fast that nobody could notify members of the cast, so a lot of them had arranged dates, passes, and so on.

But, good Joe's and Jane's that they are, they are being good enough to give up their own private affairs for this week-end, pay-day week-end at that!

So I hope that we'll have all the cast up there without too much difficulties. As a matter of fact, I know we will, 'cause they are a great gang!

Football opens this week here at Benning, too. I ought to give you a lot of charming prose about that. But really, folks, I'm just too upset. See you next week!

Red Cross Explains Procedure For Loan Transfer

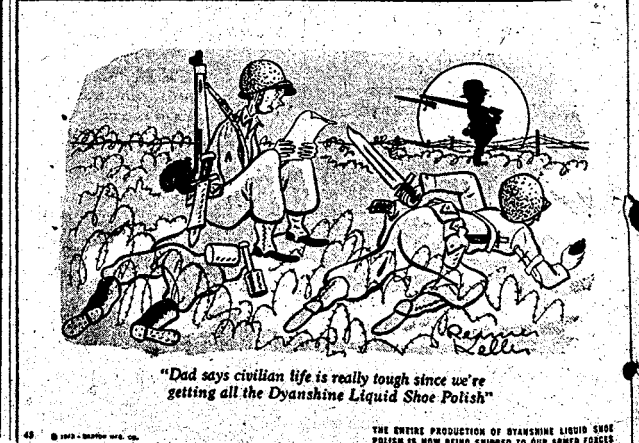
The question of what happens to a soldier's loan he has with the Red Cross when he is transferred from camp to camp has always been an interesting question. Ralph George, head of the Accounting Department of the American Red Cross at Fort Benning explains this in the following:
"When a man has a loan with the Red Cross and is transferred from another post to Fort Benning, the Field Director at his old post

forwards the loan to this office. This office in turn sends a check to cover the balance owing the Field Director at the previous post. The loan thereby becomes an actual account of the local Red Cross at Ft. Benning so it can be well understood that all men coming to Ft. Benning having loans at other posts should make their payments at any of the Red Cross offices at Fort Benning. It is impossible to contact all of the men having loans with the Red Cross so we are glad to have this opportunity to request those men who have been transferred here and who would like to make payments on loans made at other stations to do so at our office at their convenience."

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Tigers Upset Tuskegee In Grid Opener

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FIRST STR BLUE SOX, newly crowned champions of the Service League, pose above for their portrait after successfully retaining the title they won first a year ago. Left to right, sitting, are: Wheaton, Romby, Jefferson, G. Brown and Alexander. Kneeling are: Williams, Johnson, Biles, W. Brown and Haynesworth. Standing are: Sanders, Swann, Randolph, Capt. Reichling (coach), Hayes, Washington and Winbush. (Official U. S. Army Photo—168th Signal Photo Co.)

87-Yard Kickoff Return By Macon Williams Wins Opener For R. C. Eleven

By CORP. JERRY G. HUGHES

By virtue of some beautiful downfield blocking which enabled Macon Williams, former Florida A. & M. All-American, to score on a sensational 87-yard runback of a kick-off, the Reception Center Tigers won their initial contest of the '44 season against a plucky Tuskegee team last Saturday in Alumni Stadium, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Infantry Nines Deadlocked For 71st Loop Lead

Shields, Canaries Shore League Top In Mad Scramble

The second half of the 71st Division Baseball League has turned into a wild scramble for first place. The 66th Infantry Canaries and the 5th Infantry Shields are in a tie for first place with three wins and one loss apiece.

Williams' run was spectacular and thrilling in every sense of the word. Taking the ball on his own 13-yard line during the warm-up minutes of the third period, the Tiger backed up field, swinging wide to the right and drawing the entire Tuskegee team as well as his own to that side. Then as would-be tacklers closed in on him, Williams cut sharply to the left and quickly reversed his momentum, reversing his field again to the left-side of the field. As he neared the side line, it appeared as though he would be forced out of bounds by Griggs' Tuskegee halfback, but Nathaniel Smith of the Reception Center roared in and with a beautiful block cut Griggs down. Williams slowed momentarily, reversed his field again to score standing up, leaving a string of Tuskegee backs in his wake.

Sparked by Tabor's passing star, the Reception Tigers presented a constant scoring threat. They used with precision the famed T formation. Pining strikes to Hornsburger, Tabor's passes and Griggs' lightning-like jumps into the Reception Center line accounted for more than half of Tuskegee's total yardage.

The Golden Tigers were first to draw blood when Tabor hit Miller, right end, with a pass, good for 25 yards and a touch-down late in the first period. Hawkins, R. C. tackle, blocked Tabor's try for the extra point. While the Receptionists failed to score in the first quarter, they managed to shake loose their first halfback, Nathaniel Smith, for several lengthy gains. His runs of 25 and 33 yards were the longest from scrimmage. Smith's trek of 33 yards gave the Reception Center a lead of 7-0. Griggs added 4 more yards and Williams scored on the next play. Faking a pass, Williams ran over the goal line for the extra point. The score then stood 7-6 in favor of the soldiers.

There was less than 6 minutes remaining in the first half when Urie Martin, R. C. guard, kicked off to Griggs who returned the kick 10 yards to his own 25-yard line. Failing to penetrate the hefty R. C. line, Tabor kicked, and the Reception Center took over on its own 45-yard line. Williams passed to N. Smith for 10 yards, picked up 5 more at tackle, and fumbled, but the ball was recovered by Leo Harrison, R. C. half back. Williams then shot a pass to Lawrence Gaines, his left end, for 12 yards. He hit Crews, the quarterback, with another aerial ball, good for 10 yards, and a 1st down on Tuskegee's 15-yard line. On the next play, Williams heaved a looping pass to Gaines, who caught the ball in the end zone for the second touchdown.

The try for extra point was no good as Smith took Williams' pass outside the end zone. The score stood 13-6 at half time. Starting the third quarter, Martin kicked to Griggs on Tuskegee's 35. Led by Tabor, Hornsburger and Griggs, Tuskegee started on a 60-yard march which culminated with Griggs scoring from the four-yard line. In this touchdown drive, Tabor's pass to Hornsburger, and Griggs' running were outstanding plays that wreaked havoc with the Receptionists. The Golden Tigers made good the extra point to tie the score at 13-13.

It was at this point, with the score all tied up, and the Tuskegee

ROD AND GUN

Duck Hunters Face Big Fall With Record Flight Seen And Shells More Available

By CPL. "TAP" GOODENOUGH
Hunting enthusiasts among the GI's at Fort Benning will be happy to hear that a record number of ducks is due to head south this fall. Any day now, the skies will be stippled with great dotted V's, the hum of wings and a muffled beat of music in the nimbros' ears. . . . And with more shotgun shells available, there will be sport aplenty for those who can seek it this season.

Comes this good word from Tom Main, general manager of Ducks Unlimited. "We expect at least a 10 per cent increase over 1943 in the waterfowl output from our breeding grounds in the Canadian west. . . . In round figure that means 143,000,000 ducks will wing their way south. Mallards lead the increase, with pintails, teal, canvasbacks and bluebills also well up.

"In the last few weeks, 5,867 ducks have been banded at DU stations and the ultimate aim is to band 10,000 a season to provide needed data on production rates and migration routes."

Hunters everywhere are asked to watch for these DU bands, for which the Canadian prairies have been shot at such widely scattered points as Maine, Long Island, and Panama. . . .

SPEAKING OF TOM Main brings back pleasant memories. We first met the white-haired, genial outdoorsman in Boston at one of his colorful lectures, given in the behalf of waterfowl conservation, and the vast work being done by his grand organization, Ducks Unlimited. A tireless plunger, Tom was one of the prime movers responsible for "bringing back" the ducks, after the breed was rapidly becoming depleted by thoughtless gunners.

So, then news of "more ducks" is indeed a tribute to the genius of "the duck man" And we sincerely hope that when the boys return from overseas, they will find game and fowl in abundance. . . . We owe it to the thousands of devotees of the sport now in service to see that their beloved fields and streams are ready for them to again enjoy.

Khalid, a sportsman and civilian, is urged to aid in every way possible to restore wildlife and protect our natural resources; the fighting men are depending upon you to guard their interests. They deserve only the best when victory is achieved. . . .

ROD AND GUN RAMBLES: Here's another tall tale—An erstwhile Isaac Walton writes of catching eight carp with one cast. A small boy from a stringer, which the eight fish were attached. Several days later, the hook of an angler five miles down stream caught in the stringer, and he landed eight fish, all alive. . . .

We also are told of a group of hunters that tried to steal a boy's deer, but other hunters intervened and listened to both sides of the story. The lad won because he had the foresight to place his hunting license in the deer's mouth. . . .

Then there's the woman who sought a divorce on the grounds that her husband bought a hunting license instead of shoes for the baby. . . . Maybe he was going to make a pair out of skins. . . .

QUITE A FEW OF THE BOYS have mentioned to us that they hope to be permitted to buy an M-1 or a carbine for hunting when the war ends. . . . Such a thought is ridiculous. . . . In the first place, using an M-1 on deer or game would be like employing a small cannon on the

Let's be sportsmen!

Records Reveal Rifles As Leading Team In TIS Loop

3rd STR Nine Led League In Almost Every Department

By SGT. CHUCK VOORHIS
As far as league baseball is concerned at Fort Benning, the national pastime has been repaired to the storeroom until next spring. But the hot stove league will function as usual, as far as local fandom is concerned, will be the failure of the Third Student Training Regiment Rifles to get into the play-offs.

The team records of the clubs in the Infantry School League have just been released and show the Rifles to be topping the other teams of the circuit in virtually every department excepting in fielding.

BATTED 305
The club has a batting average of .305, 24 points higher than the champion 1st STR Wolves. The Rifles knocked out the most hits during the year, 417, and the most two-base hits, 31 triples and 26 home runs easily topped those departments.

However, in the fielding department, the Rifles led the circuit with an average of .956, closely followed by the Wolves with .953. The Paratrooper School Troopers were well out in front in the matter of stolen bases—47.

WON MORE GAMES
Another odd angle concerning the Rifles is the fact that during the entire season, they actually won more games than any other team but didn't just have enough of them in either half to nose out the Wolves. The big winner finished in the third slot in the second half after winning the first, while the Wolves won only three in the first.

The Rifles also had some very fine pitching during the season. Topping the field was Joe Vavra, a right-hander, who appeared in 10 games, won six of them and had no defeats. The big winner, however, was Cliff Blackwell, who won 20 and lost six. He pitched 212 innings and gave up 139 hits.

Dewey Wilkins, pitching with the second division, Cocksades won five and lost 10. The 109 errors the Cocksades made did not do justice to his pitching.

Three other pitchers besides Blackwell were 10-game winners or more. They were Cliff Randolph and Jim Prendergast of the Wolves, and Joe Dickinson of the Profs.

The Raiders used more pitchers than any club in the league—10—which is almost one-fourth of number of pitchers who batted for the eight clubs.

TIS League Records

PITCHING AVERAGES									
	G	IP	R	ER	SO	BB	WP	HP	W
Vavra, Rifles	10	40	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnson, Pros	20	80	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Blackwell, Rifles	20	80	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnson, Pros	20	80	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Prendergast, Wolves	22	100	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnson, Pros	22	100	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Blackwell, Rifles	22	100	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnson, Pros	22	100	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Wisniam, Pros	13	105	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Johnson, Pros	13	105	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Hugh, Raiders	17	110	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Hugh, Raiders	17	110	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Benar, Raiders	11	69	1-3	43	97	66	94	12	1
Benar, Raiders	11	69	1-3	43	97	66	94	12	1
Keene, Raiders	10	47	1-3	42	88	10	13	1	1
Keene, Raiders	10	47	1-3	42	88	10	13	1	1
Tallis, Rifles	10	48	1-3	48	56	33	2	1	1
Tallis, Rifles	10	48	1-3	48	56	33	2	1	1
Devolder, Wolves	10	42	1-3	41	35	18	1	1	1
Devolder, Wolves	10	42	1-3	41	35	18	1	1	1
Tallis, Rifles	10	51	1-3	29	66	89	69	2	2
Tallis, Rifles	10	51	1-3	29	66	89	69	2	2
Holland, Raiders	23	147	2-5	93	147	124	44	1	1
Holland, Raiders	23	147	2-5	93	147	124	44	1	1
Wilkins, Wolves	32	30	1-3	34	12	10	1	1	1
Wilkins, Wolves	32	30	1-3	34	12	10	1	1	1
North, Tanks	36	12	1-3	28	10	1	1	1	1
North, Tanks	36	12	1-3	28	10	1	1	1	1
Schwalm, Troopers	10	58	1-3	46	17	15	0	1	1
Schwalm, Troopers	10	58	1-3	46	17	15	0	1	1
Donnan, Cockades	10	59	1-3	67	25	3	2	1	1
Donnan, Cockades	10	59	1-3	67	25	3	2	1	1
Laurence, Shields	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Laurence, Shields	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Lockwick, Shields	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Lockwick, Shields	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Horrocks, Troopers	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Horrocks, Troopers	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Power, Cockades	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Power, Cockades	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Richard, Raiders	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Richard, Raiders	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Archipoli, Cockades	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Archipoli, Cockades	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Tanner, Rifles	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Tanner, Rifles	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Backlund, Tanks	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2
Backlund, Tanks	10	51	1-3	24	47	19	20	2	2

Room Shortage Reaches New High-Meyers

Faced with the most critical shortage of housing facilities for families of military personnel in its World War II history, officials of Fort Benning have appealed anew to residents of Columbus and vicinity to cooperate in meeting the crisis.

Driving home the acute nature of the situation, Capt. John W. Meyers, Fort Benning Housing Officer, revealed that 1,200 applications for rooms alone had been received at the branch housing office, Tenth Street and Broadway in Columbus in the six-day period of September 11-16 last week.

To meet this tremendous and practically unprecedented demand, the supply of available rooms and rooms with kitchen privileges was adequate to meet only about 100 applicants' needs, he said. He pointed out that the demand thus is about 12 times the supply.

CALLS FOR AID

Re-emphasizing previous gratitude for the past generosity and patriotic cooperation of Columbus citizens, Capt. Meyers called anew for aid, declaring "many of these people are having their first chance at a reunion with their loved ones over a period of years."

"We are aware that the majority of residents of Columbus and the adjoining suburbs have been most patriotic and generous since the war crowding conditions began," Capt. Meyers continued.

"Today, however, because of the shift of war conditions and because temporary camps are closing, thus shifting much personnel to permanent posts such as Fort Benning, the situation is more acute than ever."

"We are aware that the situation presents no pleasures for the good people of Columbus. But we would like to call to their attention that many of those seeking shelter here are those who would, under circumstances permitting, be back in their own homes—in the South, North, and West."

FAMILY REUNION

"Many of these people are having their first chance at a reunion with their loved ones over a period of years. So, we are asking their only opportunity to say goodbye and be with their loved ones prior to long separations. The war is far from over. Columbus has been a friend of the military since the establishment of Fort Benning. And Fort Benning has basked in the warmth of that friendship and always been ready to return evidences thereof. Once again we call on our friends in Columbus to come to our aid."

Recapitulating the various government facilities for housing families of military personnel, Capt. Meyers said: "The waiting list of non-commissioned officers of the first three grades and their families and officers below the rank of captain, Baker Village's 982 family units are full to the brim, he said. The waiting list of non-coms runs as high as 179 families while the officers' waiting list is 602. "Columbus residents with quarters, temporary or permanent,

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Overseas Eligibles To be Understudied

Two "understudy detachments" have been set up at Fort Benning to train prospective technicians and other specialists from all over the Fourth Service Command in order to release qualified personnel for overseas duty.

Those selected for the rosters of the two understudy detachments will be ineligible for overseas duty for various reasons and will be schooled by men who are eligible for shipment overseas.

Plans for the detachments have been formulated for some time and a group of men to form the nucleus are on hand. The detachments were formally established as a part of SCU 1447 on September 22.

The list of classifications for which the understudy detachment members will train run a long gamut, from boilermaker, mechanical hygienist, cartographer, through athletic instructor, marine engine mechanic and railway switchman. In all, 67 types of jobs are affected.

In order that the replacement of all physically qualified men be completed at the earliest possible date men will be transferred into the detachment through order of headquarters, Fourth Service Command, as they become available.

The first group of the understudy detachments were specially selected by a Classification Instruction-Audit team, from Atlanta, based on education and AGCT scores.

TROOPER—

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either the gun emplacement nest or the gun itself. Fortunately, there were only two Nazis manning the gun. It did not take Sergeant Huff long to liquidate them. Meanwhile, he threw a hasty but calculating glance at the enemy position in front of him, making mental notes as the bullets whistled near him: about 125 infantrymen; 4 machine gun nests; one 20 mm. cannon; one small mortar.

A few hours later he made his report to his commanding officer. "How many men do you think you'll need to wipe out that position completely," Sergeant Huff was asked.

"We six can do it, sir, without too much trouble."

"Well, you better take 12 more—just in case you do run into trouble."

WIPE OUT NAZIS

Sergeant Huff retraced his ground, this time with 17 men. Once again they crossed the creek. On the other side, the men were divided into two groups, and each attacked the position from opposite ends. They caught the Nazis completely by surprise, worked efficiently and speedily. The final score was: 27 Nazis killed, 21 taken prisoners, nine wounded; the rest had fled in terror.

"We did such a thorough cleaning job," is Sergeant Huff's proud comment, "that when our battalion arrived to take over they didn't even have to police the area."

This action took place on February 8, 1944. Four months later, on June 4, Lieutenant General Clark, by order of the President of the United States, presented Sergeant Huff with the Congressional Medal of Honor in Rome. "For heroism beyond and above the call of duty," reads the accompanying citation.

But Sergeant Huff merely remarks: "Any other G.I. could have done what I did—and gladly."

with and without cooking privileges, were asked to contribute to the branch housing office in Columbus. It is located at Tenth Street and Broadway. The telephone number is 8213.



INCREASED SERVICE by the Fort Benning Auxiliary of the Muscogee County Chapter of the American Red Cross has been made possible through presentation of the handsome, well-designed station wagon (pictured above) by the parent chapter to the Fort Benning group. Mrs. Fred L. Walker, extreme left, chairman of the Fort Benning Auxiliary, has just accepted the ambulance on behalf of her group from Mrs. Clarence T. Johnson, executive secretary of the Muscogee County Chapter. Mrs. Johnson is presenting the keys of the ambulance to Mrs. W. L. Starnes, captain of the Fort Benning Women's Motor Corps (at wheel) while on the right (and left to right) are Mesdames M. Bronkhurst, J. L. Tarr and D. R. Kerr, all lieutenants of the motor corps. The station wagon will be used in the expanding activities of the auxiliary on the post and in conjunction with the parent chapter. (U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

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international war-time Community chest.

"People in distress, all over the globe, are aided by the National War Fund. Shelter, medicine and clothing for refugees; for our starving and destitute allies in occupied countries—all are provided through this fund."

"Chiefly, however, the funds go to the USO, the United Seamen's Service and the War Prisoner's Aid so that when soldiers contribute on a voluntary basis they are really helping to help themselves. The War Prisoner's Aid is doing an especially great work in helping our men who have been taken prisoners by the enemy."

"As I said, the National War Fund is close to my heart and it ought to be close to the hearts of every officer and enlisted man in the Armed Services. Remember, when you give to the National War Fund you are helping to support those organizations that we all use so frequently and which mean so much to all of us."

The USO, he pointed out, operates more than 3,000 service units for the armed forces. More than 1,800,000 men per month are entertained by USO-Camp Show units in this country alone, not counting the millions entertained overseas. There now are nearly 80 units providing entertainment in the combat zones.

The United Seamen's Service operates 82 rest centers and clubs in six continents, he pointed out. As to the War Prisoner's Aid, more than 300 tons of supplies were shipped last year to prisoners of war. This includes books, games, musical instruments, craft materials and athletic equipment to help these men keep up their morale.

Through the National War Fund, aid is given now to nearly 25,000 Chinese war orphans; 20,000 Chinese war orphans; 5,000 homeless children in Athens, as an example of the work done. More care is provided in this country for 2,000 child evacuees from Europe. In Corsica, 35,000 children were helped with powdered milk and in Norway, dried milk was provided to the undernourished school children.

At all pay tables at Fort Benning this Saturday, which will be payday, the units will set up provisions for voluntary contributions by the enlisted personnel. The campaign will be continued at Fort Benning through the month of September. All personnel were urged to contribute through their own units so that the organization would receive credit in computing final standings in the campaign.



IN THE ABOVE TRIO are shown, left to right, Deval, Merle and Lee, featured performers in the big USO show, "Humpty Dumpty," which starts at Fort Benning on Monday, Oct. 2, for a week's tour of the various areas. Deval, Merle and Lee present a fast and funny adagio dancing act that is a sure-fire hit.

'Humpty Dumpty' Here Monday For Week's Stand

Headed for Fort Benning is a new and peppy USO-Camp show, "Humpty Dumpty," a lively, humorous, and gaily-costumed vaudeville revue, with several unique acts and a line of pretty, acrobatic dancing girls. Admission, as usual, is free.

Remember these dates, GIs, and watch for this big attraction in your area:

Monday, October 2, Theatre No. 7—Send Hill, 7:30-9:00.

Tuesday, October 3, 3rd STR Amphitheatre, Harmony Church, 8:30.

Wednesday, October 4, 4th Infantry Bowl, 8:30-10:00.

Thursday, October 5, Alabama Area Gym, 8:30.

Friday, October 6, Main Theatre, 6:45-8:45.

Saturday, October 7, Reception Center Field.

In case of inclement weather performances will be held in nearest W. D. Theatre.

WALTON IS MC

The mirth-provoking master of ceremonies is Bert Walton, a fast-talking, clever comedian, who keeps the show rolling at a rapid pace. He has already done considerable entertaining for servicemen, recently playing for the boys in England, Panama, and the South Atlantic Wing. Bert was a former star of short films for Warner Bros. in Hollywood.

An act that is original and different is the mystifying magic produced by the vaudeville duo that has appeared in almost every country in the globe. They were recruited from the top night clubs of America and their act is a surprise climax that will make even a Top-kick sit on the edge of his seat!

Two other featured satellites in "Humpty Dumpty" are Murray Greene and Elsa Lang, billed as "Moments of Melody." These two highlight the program with classics in swing tempo, specializing in South American music, rumba, beguines and the like.

THRILL AUDIENCES

Murray Green's voice is baritone, while Elsa Lang has a lovely soprano—"a swell songstress," as the men at numerous camps have called her. They first worked together in a musical comedy in Australia, and since returning to the States, the pair have thrilled audiences in clubs and theatres, and on the radio.

For more novelty, Deval, Merle, and Lee present a whirlwind and agile adagio dancing number that equals any of its kind. The

act opens straight in full dress and in a show-biz style, but it doesn't stop there. Merle and Lee get into a merry mix-up; the ensuing results are most amusing.

This terrific trio has just come from the Big Time, playing theatres and clubs throughout the country.

Hailing from El Paso, Texas, Estelita Zarco offers a dance routine that teems with all the color and verve of a Spanish senorita. Miss Zarco has given scores of recitals, and her toes have twinkled before myriads of footlights.

And don't forget the charming five gorgeous girls, the oldest 21 the youngest 17... Yes, "Humpty Dumpty" is a grand show for all "good eggs"—and it's everything it's cracked up to be!

ATLANTA—

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An advance detail will leave for Atlanta late this afternoon, while the entire entourage will depart early tomorrow morning. A full rehearsal will be held in the lake tomorrow night in preparation for the big festival on Saturday.

Atlanta, which has never witnessed a genuine water show, is already greatly excited over the advent of such famed diving stars as Akers, George Newton, Bill Burgess, Helen McHale Brenner, and Bill Lasher, as well as the entire G.I. cast.

AWARDED WAR BOND.

IT WENT TO HIS WIFE

NEW YORK, N. Y. (ALNS)—A \$100 War Bond was set aside as a gift to the five millionth paid visitor to the roof of the Empire State Building—but when No. 5,000,000 checked through the turnstiles, he couldn't accept the gift. Reason: He was Sub-Lt. John A. Morris, of the British Navy, and as a British citizen he could not accept the Bond. It was all fixed up, however, by making the Bond payable to his bride, an American girl he met in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. They were on their honeymoon at the time, they visited the Empire.

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M. P.'s Check 'C' Gas Autos

In a check-up to determine whether holders of supplemental gasoline coupons were living up to their signed pledges to carry passengers, authorities at Fort Benning stopped all automobiles coming in to the main gate last week and began an investigation of drivers who are failing to share their rides.

The move was ordered by Capt. Francis W. Berry, of the Military Police, president of the Fort Benning branch of the ration board at request of OPA officials from Atlanta. The officials were at Fort Benning checking on records of the board with Capt. Perry and Sgt. Louis Lipp, secretary of the board.

"In order to secure supplemental rations, drivers must show military necessity for their driving or to be secure riders in their driving," Capt. Berry pointed out. "Passengers must sign applications and if drivers are found to be going back and forth without their riders, they will be investigated."

"We have found some violations in the past and the ration have been revoked. We check on every application and check on the riders and their signatures. A few weeks ago we found two drivers with the same set of passengers. These men had their supplemental ration books revoked. Many persons do not seem to realize that stiff penalties are attached to falsifying applications for supplemental rations of gasoline. Officers may face dismissal in addition to civilian penalties while enlisted men may face court-martial and prison terms. Civilians may face heavy fines or imprisonment."

"Most of the drivers who were checked this morning had legitimate excuses for not having their passengers. Some were found to

Park Methodist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

The speaker for Chapel No. 4 will be Dr. George Burroughs.

Chapel No. 5 (the division chapel) will have for its speaker, Dr. E. K. Reagen, Bethel College, McKenzie, Tenn.

Chaplain Cato H. Pierson announced plans for a mass service for the entire personnel of the Reception Center. It will be held at George Watson Field, Fort Benning, and Chaplain I. McDonald, Thaddeus Williams and Samuel A. Lewis will join with Chaplain Pierson in conducting Col. J. P. Edgerly, commanding officer of the Reception Center, has ordered that the services be given the right of way over all other activities.

Chaplain Peter S. Rush, 71st Division, said that in the chapels of that organization the worldwide occasion will be observed. The usual communion will be partaken of by Catholic worshippers and Protestant services will include a Communion service.

A union meeting will be held Sunday evening 1930 (7:30) in Chapel No. 3, corner of 10th Street and Scott Avenue (Sand Hill Area).

Dr. George Burroughs who is with the School of Religion of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., will give the message at this union service.

Monday through Thursday a service will be held in each chapel at 7:30 o'clock each evening.

The speaker for temporary chapel, Building No. 320, will be the Rev. Mr. W. I. Howell, field representative of the Department of Evangelism for the Federal Council of Churches of America, New York.

The speaker for Chapel No. 2 will be Dr. Louis D. Newton, pastor of the Druids' Hill Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.

Chapel No. 3 will hear the Rev. Pryor Manning, pastor of Inman

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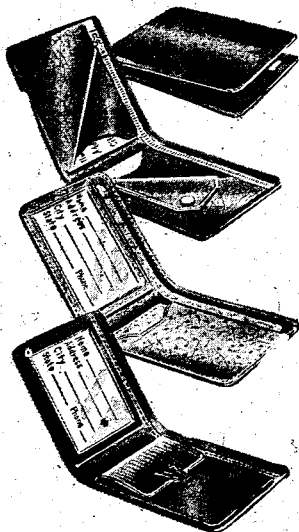


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Colonel Chen was sent to The Infantry School to observe methods of training junior officers. It was decided that he could best accomplish this purpose by remaining with one officer candidate class throughout its career.

In the short space of four weeks' association, students in his class have acquired a great affection for the Colonel. During every ten-minute break one can always observe a group of students congregated around and politely questioning the Colonel. Always patient and ever-smiling, the Colonel makes his answers to all of them.

FAMILY IN CHUNGKING
Colonel Chen's ancestral home is in the province of Kiangsi, where his parents reside at the present.

His wife and their three children, however, are in Chungking.

Following graduation from normal school at the age of fifteen, he enlisted in the Revolutionary Army and a year later entered the Military and Political Academy, founded by Dr. Sun Yat-Sen, and at that time commanded by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

When eighteen, Colonel Chen was graduated from the Academy and was commissioned a 2d lieutenant. His advancement during the next few years to 1st lieutenant, captain and company commander, was rapid. At the age of twenty he entered the Chinese Army War College, the youngest age at which any man has ever entered the war college of any major power. Upon graduation he was promoted to a major.

SERVED AT SHANGHAI
At the time of the first Japanese attack on Shanghai in 1931, Colonel Chen was a company commander of the 8th Division of the Fifth Army, then guarding Nanking. In all he has taken part in some twelve battles against the Japanese and in as many more in the north against the armies of Chinese war lords and Chinese communist troops.

The Colonel explained that owing to a scarcity of artillery and mechanized equipment, the Chinese army is composed largely of infantry troops equipped with rifles, heavy and light machine guns, anti-tank pieces and mortars.

M-1 TOO HEAVY FOR CHINESE
The American M-1 rifle is not suitable for the average Chinese soldier, said Col. Chen, since he is small in stature and requires a shorter and lighter rifle.

Admiring his enthusiasm and his powers of observation, Col. Chen's class got a kick out of his ready detection of Benning's transportation headaches. One morning he turned up in a newly acquired Dodge. He didn't know how to drive, but he could learn; and learn he soon did under the tutelage of one of the company's tactical officers.

The oldest DUKW, Amphibian truck is going to war. Actually the third DUKW to be built, but the only one of the first three whose whereabouts is known, this amphibian was built at a cost of approximately \$250,000 and was first used as a test vehicle in her youth. She was a military secret in those days and the men who manned her got no glory for their work. It was hush-hush.

TEA BAGS—IN APPRECIATION... When Tec. 4 Thomas A. Davis, a weapons instructor of the Academic Regiment completed a week of M-1 rifle instruction to Lt. Col. Chen Chien-Chung of the Chinese Army, the latter presented with a traditional gift—a container of 50 tea bags. Colonel Chien-Chung is studying in the 3d Student Training Regiment. (Official U. S. Army Signal Corps Photo.)

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Reception Center To Observe World Communion Sunday
Watson baseball field will be the setting for observance of World Communion Sunday, October 1, by the entire personnel of the Reception Center. In order that the fullest cooperation will be given for this special worship, the regular monthly parade has been postponed to a later date. Chaplain Cato H. Pierson, of the 4th Battalion, Special Training Unit, has charge of arrangements. He is being assisted by Chaplains I. J. McDonald, Receiving Battalion; Thaddeus Williams, 1st and 2nd Battalions; and Samuel A. Lewis, 3rd Battalion. All communicants who desire will have opportunity to participate in this holy sacrament. Civilian choirs from Columbus, Ga. aside from the Reception Center chorus, will render music. They are the Junior Choir of the First African Baptist church, under direction of Corporal William Henry; and the Good Will Radio Singers, heard twice monthly on station WDAK. Vocal selections will be given by Mrs. Hazel L. Blackburn, hostess of Service Club 4, and Pfc. Julia Harris, of WAC Detachment, Section 2. Services are scheduled for 9:30 a. m. (EWT), and will permit all persons who plan to attend their regular worship in nearby Columbus an opportunity to return. There will be two buses provided for wives of soldiers and other civilians who plan to come from Columbus for the service. Colonel Edgerly, in a memorandum on the service, urged all commanding officers of units in the Reception Center to call attention of their men to world-wide communion Sunday.

Veteran Asserts Jealousy Behind Jap War On U. S.
"Japan would have declared war on the United States 40 years ago if they had dared, for the Japanese population itself has a grudge of jealousy against the United States," according to James L. Ford, veteran Third Infantryman who served with the "Old Guard" in the Orient while still in his early teens. Ford, who at the present is employed by the Post Engineers, joined the Army at the age of 14 in Columbus, Ga., and was assigned to the "Old Guard." "Can't remember just why I joined, just had the idea I would be fun." He had the idea I would be fun. He arrived in Cuba in time for mopping-up activities, and then was sent to the Philippine Islands, during the Insurrection. On the trip back to the States the Third stopped off in Nagasaki, Japan, for a short stay. There, while on leave, he mixed with the natives. "They tried to appear friendly, but down underneath you could sense the resentment they had toward the power we stood for. They had a desire to bring us down to their level, but made Hitler's aid they would never have dared attack us." Already the veteran of two overseas campaigns, when World War I broke Ford was one of the first back in harness, and saw active service in France. "I knew I'd hear of them, but I never thought I'd see the Third again. I was surprised when they showed up here, and I hope I get a chance to see some of the old timers."

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